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Continuation Application of

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

The above-captioned application is a continuation of application number 08/437,533 filed on May 9, 1995 to which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 120.

The specification has been revised to incorporate a related applications paragraph as the first paragraph in the specification. No new matter has been added.

Please amend the referenced application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel Claims ~~4, 5, 7, 9-13~~, and 18. Please amend Claims 1, 2, 6, 8, 15, 16, 17, 19 and 20 as follows:

1. (Amended) A receptor molecule which binds to tumor necrosis factor comprising all or a functional portion of two [or more] extracellular domains of tumor necrosis factor